

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN CHASE HIBBARD**, on March 25, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 437 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Chase Hibbard, Chairman (R)
Rep. Kim Gillan, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Bob Story, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Gary Beck (D)
Rep. Rick Dale (R)
Rep. Bob Davies (R)
Rep. Ron Erickson (D)
Rep. Daniel Fuchs (R)
Rep. Mary Anne Guggenheim (D)
Rep. Marian Hanson (R)
Rep. Hal Harper (D)
Rep. Dan Harrington (D)
Rep. John L. Holden (R)
Rep. Verdell Jackson (R)
Rep. Scott J. Orr (R)
Rep. Bob Raney (D)
Rep. Bill Rehbein (R)
Rep. Sam Rose (R)
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)
Rep. Roger Somerville (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Donna Grace, Committee Secretary
Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted:

HB 674 - 3/22/1999

SB 265 - 3/22/1999

Executive Action:

HB 674 - Do Pass

HB 665 - Table

HEARING ON HB 674

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Chase Hibbard, House District 54

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1}

Proponents' Testimony:

Mary Bryson, Director, Department of Revenue

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 3}

Kathy Muri, Department of Administration

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 4.2}

Opponents' Testimony:

None.

Informational Testimony:

Lorry Parriman, Legislative Audit Division

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 6}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 73}

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 13.1}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 674

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Rose MOVED DO PASS. The MOTION PASSED, 20 - 0.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 14}

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Chairman Hibbard reported on the progress of HB 174.
EXHIBIT(tah67a01)

Questions from Committee Members:

Paul Pfarr, PPL - Montana; Dan Wheelihan; Tom Ebzery;
Representative from ASARCO; Ward Shanahan
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 25.8}

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HEARING ON SB 265

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Duane Grimes, Senate District 20
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 6.1}

Proponents' Testimony:

Bill Snoddy, McDonald Gold **EXHIBIT**(tah67a02)
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 18.4}

Bill Neal, Hanover Gold
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 25}

Russ Ritter, Morrison-Knudsen of Boise, Idaho, and Montana
Resources
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 28}

Frank Crowley, ASARCO
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.9}

Dan McGrane, Geologist
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 4.5}

Jim Mockler, Montana Coal Council
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 6.5}

Webb Brown, Montana Chamber of Commerce

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7.6}

Opponents' Testimony:

Jeff Barber, Montana Environmental Information Center

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 9}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 1}

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 10.9}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 665

Motion:

Rep. Harper MOVED DO PASS.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 13}

Discussion:

EXHIBIT(tah67a03)

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Harper MOVED the AMENDMENTS. **EXHIBIT**(tah67a04) The MOTION PASSED, 20 - 0.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 25.4}

Discussion:

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 26.1}

Substitute Motion:

Rep. Rehbein MOVED to TABLE. The MOTION PASSED 11 - 9. Story, Orr, Holden, Rose, Jackson, Dale, Somerville, Rehbein, Davies, Hanson and Hibbard voting yes; Schmidt, Guggenheim, Harrington, Erickson, Beck, Fuchs, Harper, Raney and Gillan voting no.

{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 2}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 240

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Harrington MOVED an AMENDMENT to HB 240. The MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Motion/Vote:

The DO PASS AS AMENDED MOTION FAILED, 10 - 10. Story, Orr, Holden, Rose, Jackson, Dale, Rehbein, Davies, Fuchs and Hanson voting no; Schmidt, Guggenheim, Harrington, Somerville, Erickson, Beck, Harper, Raney, Gillan and Hibbard voting yes.
{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 21.6}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 582

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Story MOVED to REMOVE HB 582 FROM THE TABLE. The MOTION FAILED, 11 - 9. Schmidt, Holden, Harrington, Somerville, Erickson, Beck, Davies, Fuchs, Harper, Raney and Gillan voting no; Story, Orr, Rose, Guggenheim, Jackson, Dale, Rehbein, Hanson and Hibbard voting yes.
{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23}

Adjourn. {Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 25.5}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:40 A.M.

REP. CHASE HIBBARD, Chairman

DONNA GRACE, Secretary

CH/DG

EXHIBIT (tah67aad)